

**REDMOND CITY COUNCIL  
PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE  
MEETING SUMMARY**

Council Conference Room  
15670 NE 85<sup>th</sup> Street, Redmond, Washington

Tuesday, July 12, 2016

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**Council**

Hank Myers, Chair  
Byron Shutz, Member  
John Stilin, Member  
Hank Margeson (*Attending Council Member*)  
Angela Birney (*Attending Council Member*)  
David Carson (*Attending Council Member*)

**Staff**

Katherine Claeys, Senior Engineer  
Linda De Boldt, Public Works Director  
Jeff Thompson, Senior Engineer  
Jerallyn Roetemeyer, Engineering Supervisor  
Roger Dane, Senior Planner  
Cathy Beam, Principal Planner  
Tricia Thomson, Senior Engineer  
Jeanne Justice, Engineering Supervisor  
Bruce Newman, Senior Engineer  
Rob Odle, Director of Planning and Community  
Development  
Peter Dane, Planner  
Cheryl Xanthos, Deputy City Clerk

Convened: 4:30 p.m.

Adjourned: 5:39p.m.

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Committee Chair Hank Myers called the meeting to order, reviewed attendance, and overviewed the agenda.

**Hiring On-Call Bridge Expert Consultant**

Ms. Katherine Claeys, Senior Engineer, stated that this contract will be on the July 19, 2016, consent agenda for Council approval, and will primarily be used for the Sound Transit E360 project and in-house if needed. The Sound Transit E360 project will include two steel pedestrian bridges that will span SR 520. The City of Redmond will own and maintain the bridges after they are built. The consultant will advise the City during design and construction.

General discussion ensued regarding funding and budget; draft contract; and the selection process.

**Connecting Washington SR 520 Improvements Design Contract**

Mr. Peter Dane, Planner, stated that this contract for the design of the Connecting Washington SR 520 improvements will be on the July 19, 2016, consent agenda for Council approval. Funds will be accepted from the Washington State Connecting Washington package to fund these improvements in their entirety. The City cannot be reimbursed for any funds expended before acceptance of the funding.

General discussion ensued regarding cost; design; lane configuration and capacity; and bus lane efficiency.

### **Community Facilities District 2016-1 Design Contract**

Mr. Dane stated that the design improvements are for NE 31<sup>th</sup> Street and NE 51<sup>st</sup> Street.

General discussion ensued regarding lane configurations; multi-modal improvements; site lines; and lane widening.

### **Consultant Agreement for Novelty Hill Valve/PRV Project**

Mr. Jeff Thompson, Senior Engineer, stated that this consultant agreement will go to the full Council on August 16, 2016, for approval. Twelve PRV stations will be replaced due to necessity and budget. All the butterfly valves at the Novelty Hill sites are failing and will be replaced. The total project budget is approximately \$4,000,000. This agreement is for design only.

### **Consultant Agreement for On-call Emergency Management Services**

Ms. Jeralyn Roetemeyer, Engineering Supervisor, stated that this consultant agreement will go to the full Council on August 16, 2016, for approval. The agreement will be available to City departments and the Office of Emergency Management to use for putting together emergency response plans, standard operating procedures, training, and exercises. It is a two-year contract with two one-year extensions. Eight proposals were received, three were interviewed, and All Hands Consulting was chosen.

General discussion ensued regarding funding and individual department coordination.

### **Response to Comments about City Management of the Former Keller Farm**

Mr. Roger Dane, Senior Planner, and Ms. Cathy Beam, Principal Planner, stated that at a Council meeting in June, under Items from the Audience, a neighbor to the north of the Keller Farm commented regarding herbicide usage at the farm. The City contracts with Habitat Bank as the wetland mitigation banker at the Keller Farm. The herbicide is used to remove invasive weeds that are very widely spread at the site, is widely accepted as one of the least toxic options to use, and meets state and federal regulations.

General discussion ensued regarding preparing a letter in response; restoration of the farm; providing a staff report to the full Council; replacement plantings; and monitoring groundwater.

### **Code Changes for Low Impact Development**

Ms. Roetemeyer stated that the code changes will go to the full Council for approval in September. The Planning Commission report was sent to the Council in June regarding code changes for low-impact development. The changes will help reduce the peak flows during storm events, help recharge the aquifer, and is a requirement of the NPDS permit. The goal is to reduce the barriers to low impact development.

General discussion ensued regarding providing a staff report to the Council; One Redmond comments; and the webinar.

### **Avondale Corridor Study**

Ms. Tricia Thomson, Senior Engineer, stated that over 30,000 vehicles use the Avondale corridor a day. It has one of the highest bicycle accident locations, frequent jaywalking, a school bus route, and a King County Metro bus route. Criteria for ranking projects include: safety, mobility, benefit to transit, benefit to cyclists and pedestrians, movability, construction feasibility, and cost. Projects include new intersections and bus pull-outs. Currently the projects are not funded.

General discussion ensued regarding current level of design; location of bus stops; additional funding; increasing capacity; and coordination of intersection signals.

### **Facilities Strategic Plan Update**

Ms. Jeanne Justice, Engineering Supervisor, provided an update on the Facilities Strategic Plan:

- a study session will be held on July 26, 2016;
- the project is approximately half completed;
- visioning workshops;
- alternatives workshop for the MOC Master Plan;
- cost estimating;
- finished seismic report;
- financing structures;
- presenting to Fire District No. 34 regarding the seismic report;
- and scheduling a best practices field trip.

General discussion ensued regarding committee updates.

### **Traffic Flow During Marymoor Events**

Mr. Bruce Newman, Senior Engineer, stated that King County has a detailed event schedule and regularly meets with City staff to discuss the events and what traffic plans are in effect. There are nine events this year that require additional traffic control. Five of the events this year have already occurred. The focus is on the West Lake Sammamish side of the park. A variable message sign was just installed on the north side of West Lake Sammamish Parkway.

General discussion ensued regarding optimizing traffic patterns; working with King County regarding management of Marymoor Park; other busy events throughout the year; improving infrastructure; increasing the number of lanes in the park; and routing to avoid heavy park traffic.

### **Pet Waste Issues**

Mr. Rob Odle, Director of Planning and Community Development, stated that there is no pet waste clean-up law for private property, but there is for City parks and trails.

### **Good Neighbor Fences**

Mr. Odle stated there are no regulations currently regarding the aesthetics of fences. It hasn't been an issue for Code Enforcement.